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Green Valley Recreation Pickleball Club Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, January 13, 2022 – 3 pm – East Center Auditorium

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1. Roll Call – Reynolds
2. Approve [12/09/2021 Meeting Minutes](#) – Reynolds
3. Treasurer’s Report – Furumoto
 - a. PROPOSED MOTION:
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4. Work Area Reports (see below)
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Court Banners - Furumoto

Current banner at Canoa Ranch does not show the correct name for the club and is faded and degraded. There are no banners denoting the club at the East Center and Pickleball Center. It is time to update the existing banner and create two new ones to provide consistency across locations.

Proposed Motion - Purchase three (3) banners. One each for Canoa Ranch, East Center and Pickleball Center to indicate: 1) GVR Pickleball Club, 2) club logo, 3) website address with QR code. Banner construction specifications should be 2.5 feet in height by 8 to 10 feet in width and shall be of highest quality for outdoor materials for durability and include reinforced hems, grommets, and installation features. Not to exceed \$750 for production and shipping for all three banners.

7. Member Comments
8. Closing Comments

Adjourn

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Committee / Work Area Reports 01/13/2022 Board Meeting

President, Gina Rowsam

GENEROUS CLUB

Thank you to members who contributed \$3,340 toward the Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona with the proceeds to stay in the Green Valley area! Pictured left to right: Mary Wright, Chair Social and Wellness Committee, Robert Jensen, CEO Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona, and Gina Rowsam, President GVR Pickleball Club.



TOURNAMENTS

Registration for the 2022 Southern Arizona Senior Games in March has begun. See Donna Davis' report below for details.

2022 BOARD ELECTION

Nominations Open - Saturday, January 1, 2022

Nominations Close - Thursday, February 24, 2022

Board Notified of Slate - Friday, February 25, 2022

Slate Presented to Eligible Members - Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Ballots (electronic and paper) Distributed - Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Paper Voting Deadline - Tuesday, March 14, 2022 (postmark by or deposited into club's dropbox)

Electronic Voting Deadline - Wednesday, March 16, 2022 by 6 p.m.

Annual Meeting - Thursday, March 17, 2022 - 3 p.m. Location TBD

The Club's Bylaws provide for a two (2) year term for the following offices (April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2024*). In addition, the Club's Bylaws provide for a standing member of the board who wishes to be a candidate for another office to resign their current position no later than January 1 of the election year (they serve out the remainder of the current term). Patrick Furumoto has tendered his resignation as Treasurer for his final year of office (April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2022@) as he will run for the President position. So, there will be a total of 4 (four) positions available (three with two-year terms and one with one-year term).

President*, Secretary*, Member at Large Position 2*, Treasurer@

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You may nominate more than one person to serve on the board, but you **MUST BE SPECIFIC** to which office you are nominating each person, or it will **NOT** be a valid nomination. Please contact the person you want to nominate to ensure they will accept a nomination. You may also self nominate. However, it must be for a **SPECIFIC** position or it will **NOT** be valid. All valid nominations will be acknowledged by email. There will not be any nominations accepted from the floor during the annual meeting in March.

Nominations and/or any questions concerning the process should be emailed to all of the following committee members.

Mike Andrews: mag61010@gmail.com, Gina Rowsam: ginarowsam@gmail.com, Mary Wright: wmary1966@gmail.com

Provide responses to the following in the email message. Nominations Close - Thursday, February 24, 2022.

Person making nomination

Person nominated

Position

Self Nomination - Describe motivation to serve on the Board of Directors

Other Nomination - Describe motivation to serve on the Board of Directors

Describe experience this nominee will bring to the position

Rate skill and experience with computer systems to work with member databases, scheduling, communications and websites (1 - low to 5 - high)

TRAINING AIDS

The board approved the purchase of a new ball machine (Lobster) and hitting wall (two-panel 90 degree system) to be located at the Pickleball Center. Details regarding installation of the hitting wall and storage of the ball machine are being coordinated with GVR. For those unfamiliar, any equipment purchased by clubs becomes the property of GVR. Thanks to Maria Acevedo and her crew for getting the regularly scheduled training sessions coordinated. If you want to be trained on the Tutor ball machine located at the East Center please review the Events tab in Pickleball.Plus for available dates and times. Users of the machine must be part of the trained, certified list of users to reserve and use the equipment.

GVR UPDATE

Continued discussion of updated signage GVR is developing that will list rules for court usage. They are updating signage across all sports courts (racquetball, tennis, pickleball). With Paul May's coordination we continue to work to address court cleaning and maintenance, storage and water access issues at the PBC.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT & RATINGS

Many thanks go out to all of the members who have participated in the ratings program as testees and those making the program happen with administration, scheduling, feeders, recorders, and game play testers. It is wonderful to have so many committed members. We continue to incorporate feedback to refine the process and incorporate more instruction and training for members involved at all levels of the process.

SOUTHERN REGION APPL (ARIZONA PICKLEBALL PLAYERS LEAGUE)

Carol Hammerle reports that the club has fielded 13 teams across all skill levels 2.5 to 4.5. With an average team size of 10 players, this represents 130+ members involved. Way to go GVR Pickleball Club! She is working with Dean Beilke to get match schedules posted so members can come out and support our teams at home matches. Information can also be obtained by going to the league website

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<https://www.arizonapickleballplayersleague.org/2022southernregion>.

If club members or others come to the courts to spectate, it is important to know that there should be no coaching from the sidelines either during play or timeouts, much the same as is for tournaments. Each team has designated captains and observes league rules as it relates to communication channels for coaching.

COURT SCHEDULING AND USAGE SURVEY

Watch for a survey that is being developed to gauge member feedback on court scheduling and usage. Our court scheduling committee has continued to be responsive to member suggestions as it relates to court reservations and club sponsored group round robin play. Areas that continue to present challenges are how to handle Focus Play time slots as it relates to: skill rating adherence, informal non-club sponsored round robins, arranged play groups limiting players but not using reservation slots, and league practice groups.

HOW TO BE A PERFECT PARTNER

The following article from the Mental Notebook, by Jim Loehr, Ed.D. was recently circulated to the league teams. The feedback on it was quite positive and several league members suggested sharing it with all club members.

The ultimate competitive skill in doubles isn't a big serve or a dipping return – it's the ability to communicate the right emotional message to your partner when s/he needs it. If you're a good partner, you can read your teammate's emotional state instantly at any point in a match, and you know the verbal and non-verbal signals that keep him/her confident and positive, even when adversity strikes. If you're a good partner, you're never critical, distant or detached. Instead, you remain supportive, encouraging and responsive, no matter how well (or badly) your partner is playing, and your emotional skills help him/her stay relaxed, energized and upbeat.

Not all partners respond the same way to the same emotional signals. To learn how to behave towards your partner during a match, here's a tool I've found useful: a checklist of possible likes and dislikes. I've used this list with doubles teams on the pro tour. Sit down with your doubles partner and discuss each item on this list to discover how you both want to be treated during a match.

Possible Dislikes:

I don't like it when:

1. You tell me what I'm doing wrong
2. You're too sociable with our opponents
3. You act like you're captain of the team
4. You start accusing our opponents of cheating
5. You openly criticize me or get angry at me
6. You act like I'm not even there
7. You keep telling me what to do on big points
8. You get down on yourself and our team
9. You lose your temper and embarrass me
10. You give me the evil eye
11. You stop trying
12. You try to cover too much of the court

Possible Likes:

I like it when:

1. You talk to me a lot between points
2. You say very little to me between points
3. You say nothing when I commit an error
4. You say something encouraging when I commit an error
5. You smile
6. You say something funny when things are tough
7. You make suggestions or offer simple tips when I get stuck
8. You let me work problems out for myself
9. You compliment me on a good shot
10. You're enthusiastic and energetic
11. You look like you're having fun
12. You encourage me to be aggressive, even though I make errors

Make a joint commitment to do more of the things each partner likes and fewer of the things s/he doesn't. Then stick with that plan on court. Beyond this, our studies show there are certain things all great doubles teams do during a match. Most important is this: they immediately reconnect with each other after every point.

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Videotape has shown that on teams doing badly, the partners rarely make eye contact. They may even look away from each other or put a towel over their head during changeovers. On camera, each player looks as if s/he is playing singles. In fact, this self-isolation often is a problem with players who play more singles than doubles.

But in a strong partnership, both players come together for at least 3-6 seconds between points, standing shoulder to shoulder and exchanging words of encouragement. Even before you think of picking up the ball after a point, you should think of picking up your partner's spirits. Constantly reconnect with him/her through good body language. Move quickly to him/her after each point, with a spring in your walk, shoulders back, head up. Even if you or your partner has made a mistake, you might give a high-five or another gesture of encouragement. In this way, you assure your partner that you're still committed to the team.

Remember: the most sacred time in a doubles match is between points. That's when you massage your teammate's emotions and re-energize the partnership.

After each match, grade yourself on how well you've stuck by the guidelines you established from the checklists above. Talk the match over with your partner. Don't let frustrations build up. Keep communications open, just as with a good marriage. That's the secret of great doubles. 😊

Past-President, Jeff Harrell

No Report

Vice President, Mike Clemens

No Report

Treasurer, Patrick Furumoto

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Secretary, Janet Reynolds - Meeting Records, Member Photos

27 New GVPB Club members from December 1 – 31, 2021:

Beth Robertson, Bob Boals, Cathy Barrette-Boals, Jean East, Janet Hadley, Karen Richardson, Doug Richardson, Stephen Hesse, Linda Mohr, Stephen Dreier, Tracy Wilson, John Breen, Jack Loan, Pam Loan, Karen Larson, Richard Murray, Jackie Czeiska, Leah grant, Kay Keding, Ann Sturdivant, Darrell Bernard, Cheryl Kutella, James R Ellis, Karla Hubbell, Joe Hubbell, Colleen Walker, Sharmon D Ellis

Member at Large, Paul May - 3.5 Rep, Policy Manual & Court Maintenance

- Contacted and met with David Jund and team to discuss shed for hoses and Lobster plus getting water to the East courts of PC. Pending.
- Checked all nets for height.
- Put balls at CR, PC and EC Used approx. 100 last month.
- Put out Onix balls at all three venues following email requesting players use Onix balls until temperature reaches 50 degrees. Thanks to Dean B.
- Ball holder replaced court 8 EC. GVR crew pinned it at the wrong end of the court. That is being corrected.

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- Mike C, Paul S, Paul M helped with organizing the PC office and Maintenance Room.

Member at Large, Mike McCarry - 4.0+ Rep, Player Development & Ratings

We completed both the Skills and Game testing for the year this month. We have already for the month of January a number of people signed up for both the Skills and Games Tests. In January we will also start up the Player Skills Develop Classes.

Member at Large, Mary Wright - 3.0 Rep, Social Committee

- Social - No December event; Upcoming January 22, 2022 Dance & Dine @ West Center.
- Wellness - Mailed three Get Well cards to members.
- Outreach - On 12/21/21, Presented Mobile Meals, CEO Robert Jensen a check for \$3,340 to be used for Green Valley clients.
- GVR Pickleball club Hats/Visors - Currently sold \$555.00. (37 hats/visors)
- GVR Pickleball Club Apparel - Status Pending.

Player Development Committee - Carol Hammerle, Chair

Southern Region APPL : We have 13 teams competing in APPL this year with all home matches being played at the PBC. The GVR Pickleball Club restricted APPL competition until 12 noon providing consistency in focus play for all members. Home matches will begin at 12:30 or 3 PM depending on the team assignment providing a 30 minute warm up for all teams.

GVR Pickleball club has provided Franklin balls for Southern Region APPL home matches. (1 dozen)

Worked with Sharon Kolarik and Jeanne Bustard on proper feeding techniques for the different skill levels and continued to use Sharon as a source. Currently we have 10 people training to be feeders. We have met twice and plans are to continue to meet twice this next week with hopes to provide 4 feeders by the third week in January.

2022 GVR PB Winter Classes

PB 101 Winter Schedule 2022:

- A: Jan 4, 11, 18, 25 Mike Gustin
- B: Jan 5, 12,19, 26 Al Willette
- A: Feb 1, 8, 15, 22 Mike Gustin
- B: Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 Al Willette
- A: Mar 1, 8, 15, 22 Mike Gustin
- B: Mar 2, 9,16, 23 Al Willette
- A: Apr 5,12, 19, 26 Mike Gustin

SNAP Winter Schedule 2022: Kathy Palese

- Jan 4, 11, 18
- Feb 1, 8, 15
- Mar 1, 8,15
- Mar 29, April 5, 12

PB 201, 202, 301 Winter Schedule 2022:

Carol Hammerle

- PB 201: Jan 3, 10, 17
- PB 202: Jan 24, 31, Feb 7
- PB 301: Feb 14, 21, 28
- PB 201: Mar 7, 14, 21
- PB 202: Apr 4, 11, 18

SNAP to the Next Level Kathy Palese

- Jan 25
- Feb 22
- Mar 22
- April 19

Pickleball.Plus & Scheduling - Dean Beilke, Chair

Court schedules changes were made to accommodate seasonal usage participation. Event scheduling and sign ups were added to complement and support the implementation of the new skill testing program. Updated PC and EC

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schedules for 1/1/22 were released.

Webmaster - Sam Schaen, Chair

Performed routine updates.

Tournaments - Donna Davis, Chair

[Registration for the Southern Arizona Senior Games](#) opened on Sunday, January 2. We have 143 players signed up, 45 from our GVR club. Please consider playing. The competitive environment of tournament play pushes your skills further and helps you grow in ways recreational play cannot. If you have signed up, thank you. Encourage those with whom you play to take advantage of this unique opportunity. If you are having difficulty with the registration process or you would like more information about playing in a tournament, contact Donna Davis at sasgpb@gmail.com.